



# Constellation X-ray Mission Configuration



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***Constellation-X***



# Reference Mission Configurations

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- **Reference configuration developed for demonstration of feasibility, establishment of technology requirements and development of cost estimates**
- **Four satellites in mission; launched two at a time on an Atlas V, Delta IV or Delta II**
- **For Atlas V and Delta IV configurations each satellite has:**
  - One Spectroscopy X-ray Telescope (SXT) with a 1.6 meter optic
  - Three Hard X-ray Telescopes (HXT) with 0.4 meter optics
  - One Optical Bench provides 10.0 meter focal length for SXT and HXT and retracts to accommodate dual launch
  - One Calorimeter Detector Assembly at SXT focus cooled by Turbo-Brayton Cryo Cooler with ADR to 50 mK
  - One Gratings Assembly, aft of SXT Optic, disperses X-rays onto an array of eight CCD's located on Rowland Circle
  - One CdZnTe Detector Assembly for each HXT
  - Separable spacecraft bus and instrument modules



# Resource Summaries

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- **Mass Estimate**

Item	Satellite Mass (Kg)	Launch Mass (Kg)
Instrument Module	1524	3048
Wet Spacecraft Bus	884	1768
Margin		<u>1334</u>
Total Launch Mass		6150
Estimated Atlas V-551 Net		
Launch Capability C3 = -2.6		6150

- **Power Estimate Per Satellite**

Average Satellite Power Requirement	814 Watts
End of Life Power Capability	1100 Watts

- **Telemetry Estimate per Satellite**

S-Band Telemetry (Housekeeping Data)	2 Kbps
X-Band Telemetry (Science Data)	1.7 Mbps
Telemetry Down Link Time Approximately	1 hour/day



# New Fixed Optical Bench Configurations

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- **Two fixed optical bench satellites in Atlas V launch vehicle**
  - Components similar to previous Reference Extendible Configuration
  - Reduced mass due to elimination of Dual Payload Adopter and optical bench deployment mechanism
  - Solves insulation issues and meets light tight requirements
  - Facilitates alignment and test
- **Two one stage (instead of multiple stages) extendible bench satellites in Delta IV launch vehicle**
  - One stage to accommodate medium vehicle
  - Same advantages as listed above



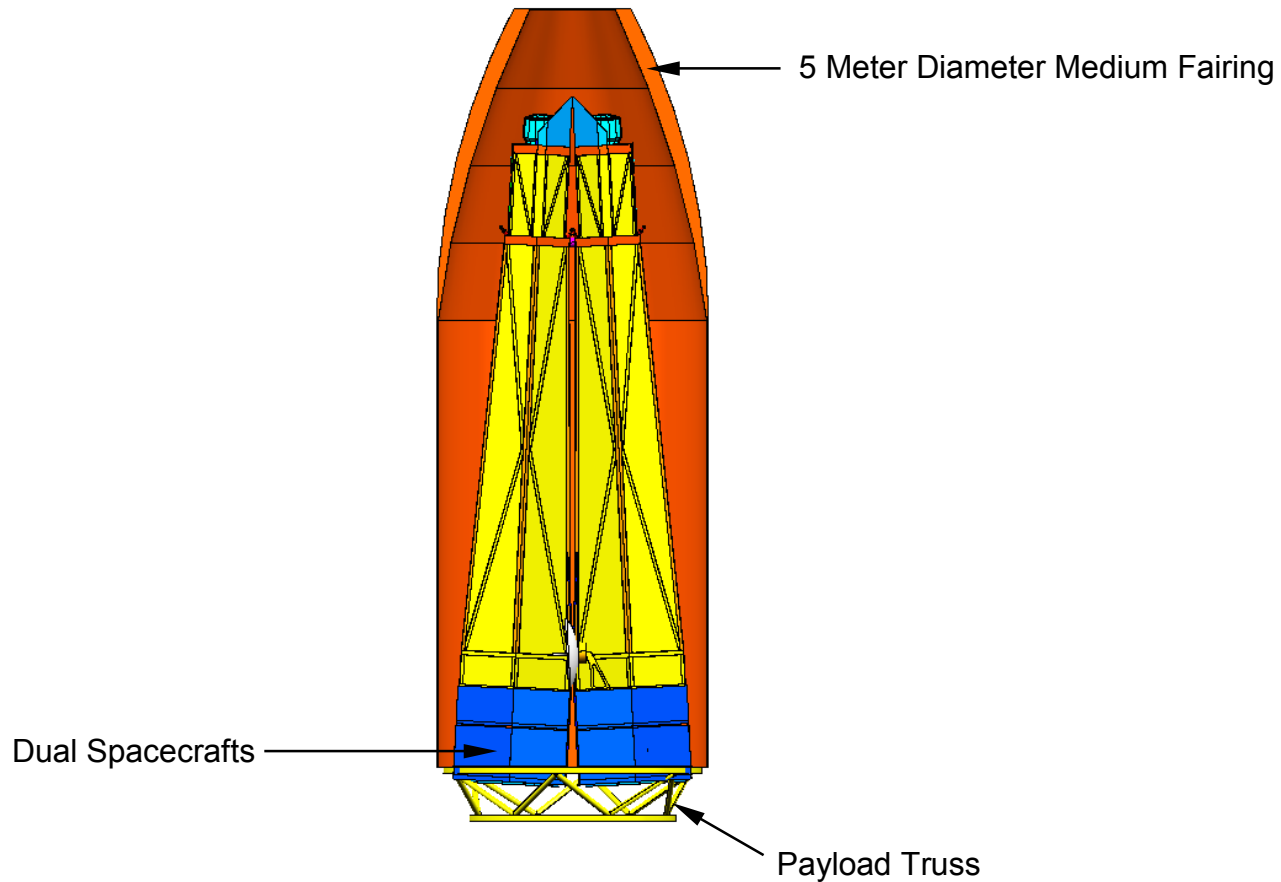
# Delta II Configuration

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- **Four identical satellites in extendible optical bench configuration to be launched in four 2920-10L Delta-II launch vehicles**
- **Injection orbit is circular orbit with 1000 km altitude**
- **Use solar electric propulsion to get to L2 libration point**
  - Uses two 290 mN thrust capable SEP engines
  - Requires solar array capable of generating 10 kw
- **The optics configuration for each of the satellites is as follows:**
  - One 1.5 meter diameter SXT
  - Five 33 centimeter diameter HXTs
- **The payload mass is 1200 Kgs vs 1309 Kgs in the reference configuration**



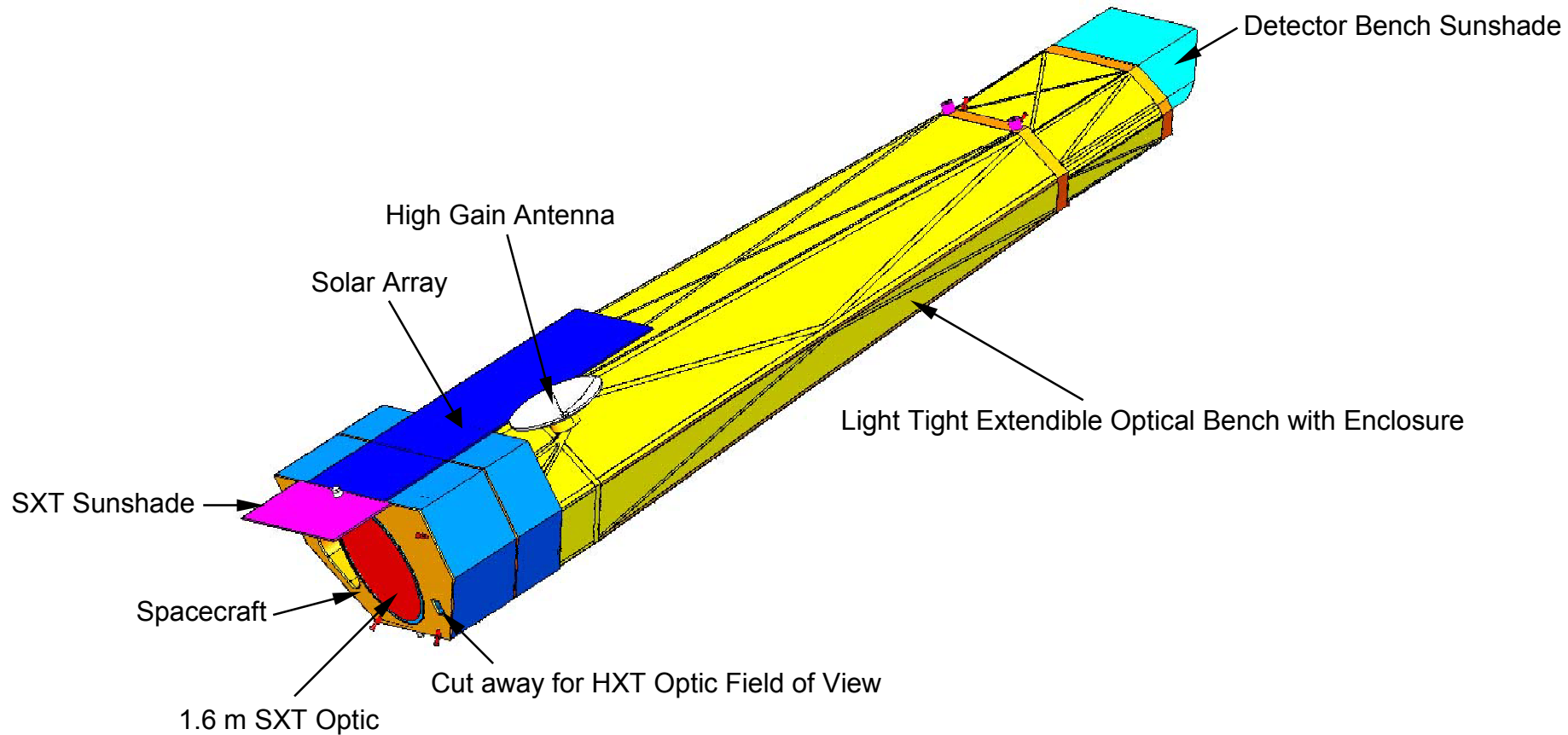
# Atlas V Launch Vehicle Configuration



Atlas V Dual Manifest Launch Configuration - Side View



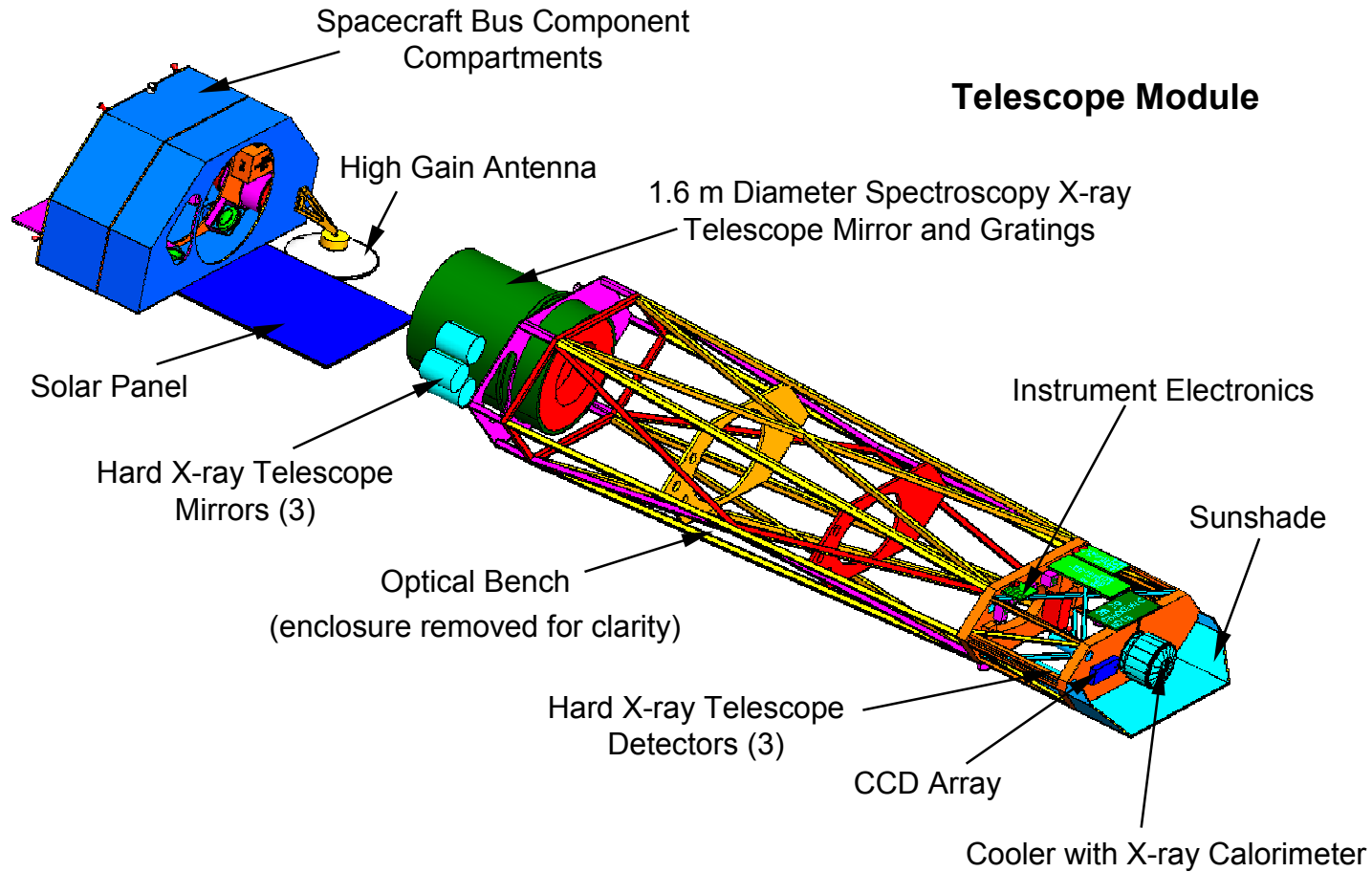
# Reference Configuration





# Reference Configuration View from Detector End

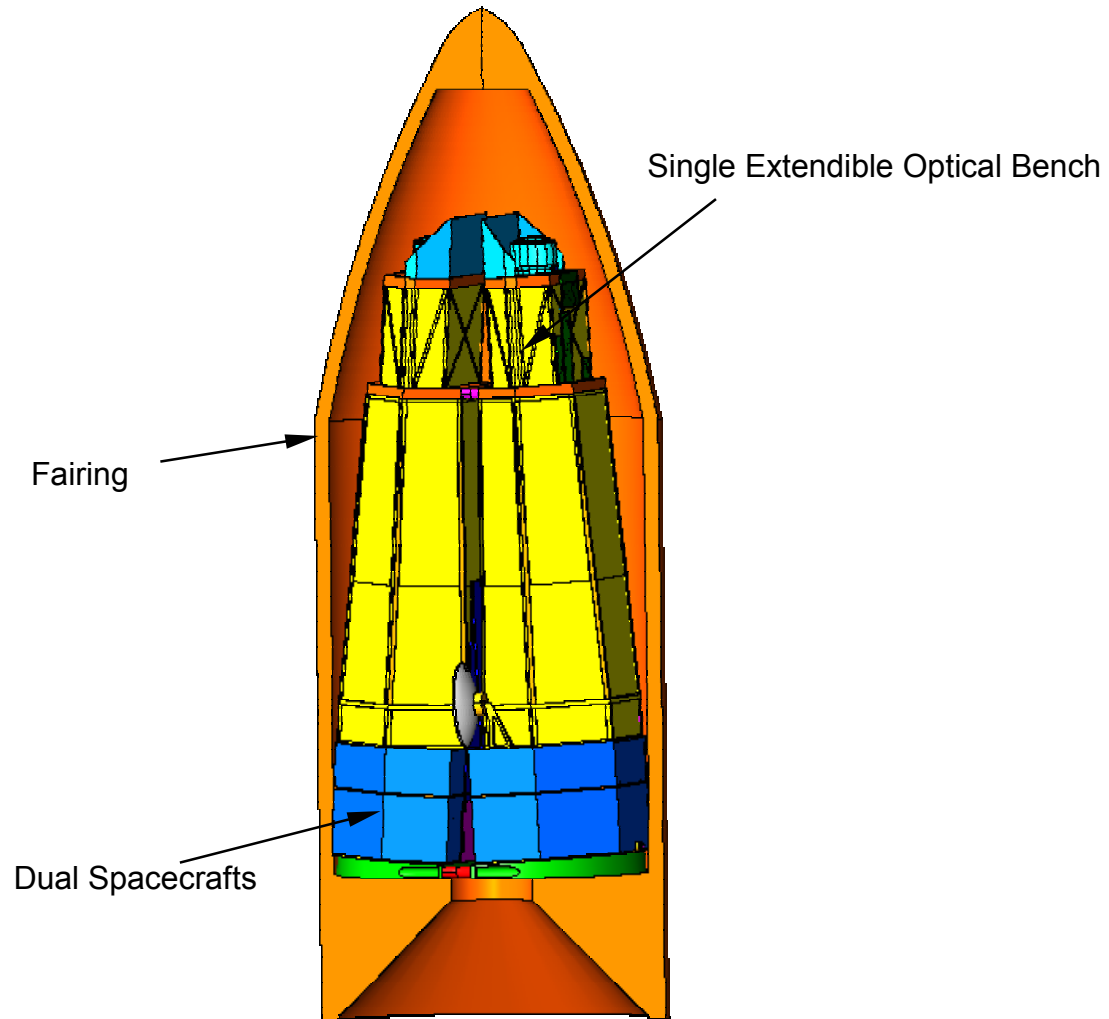
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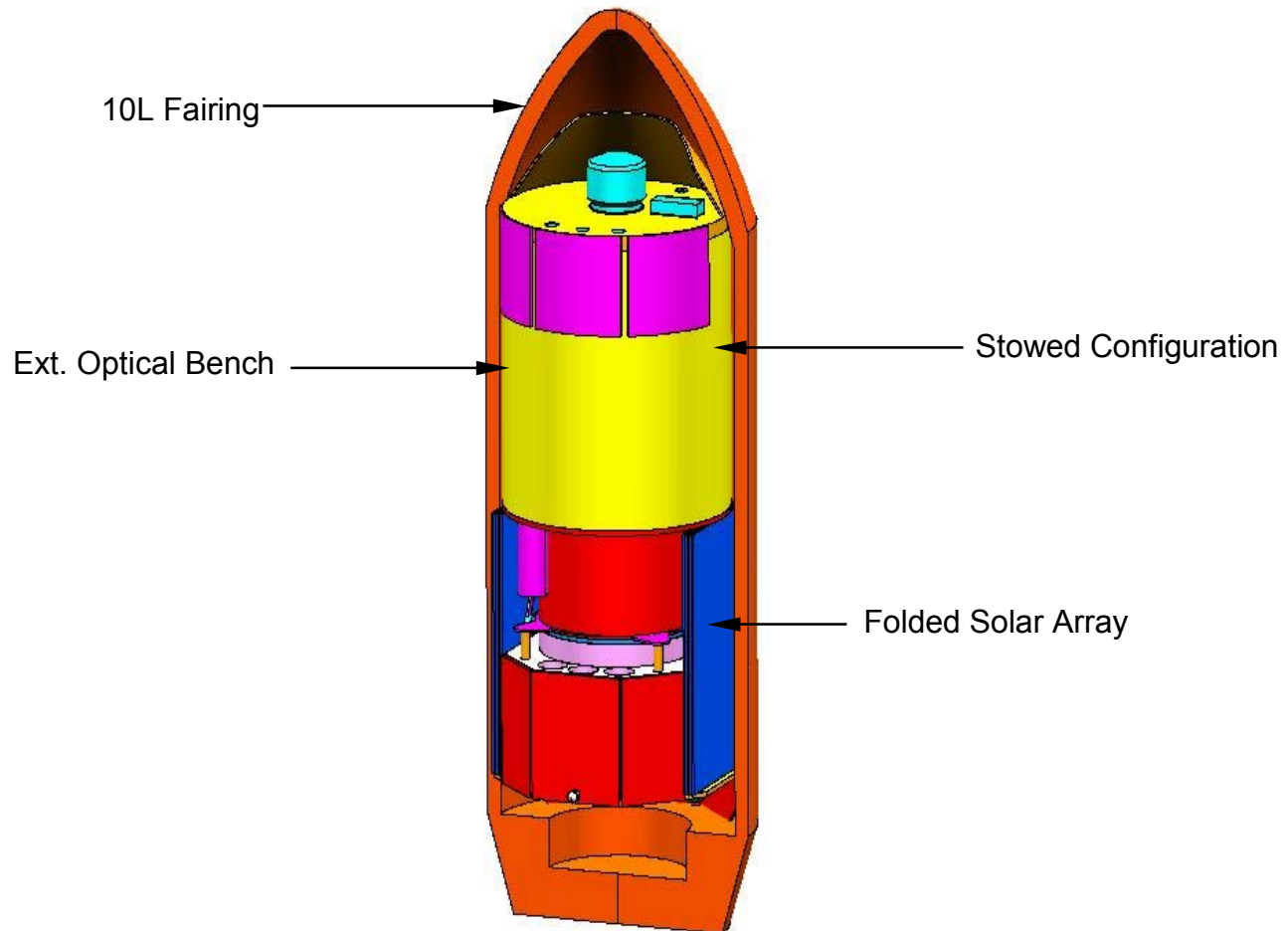


# Delta IV Launch Configuration



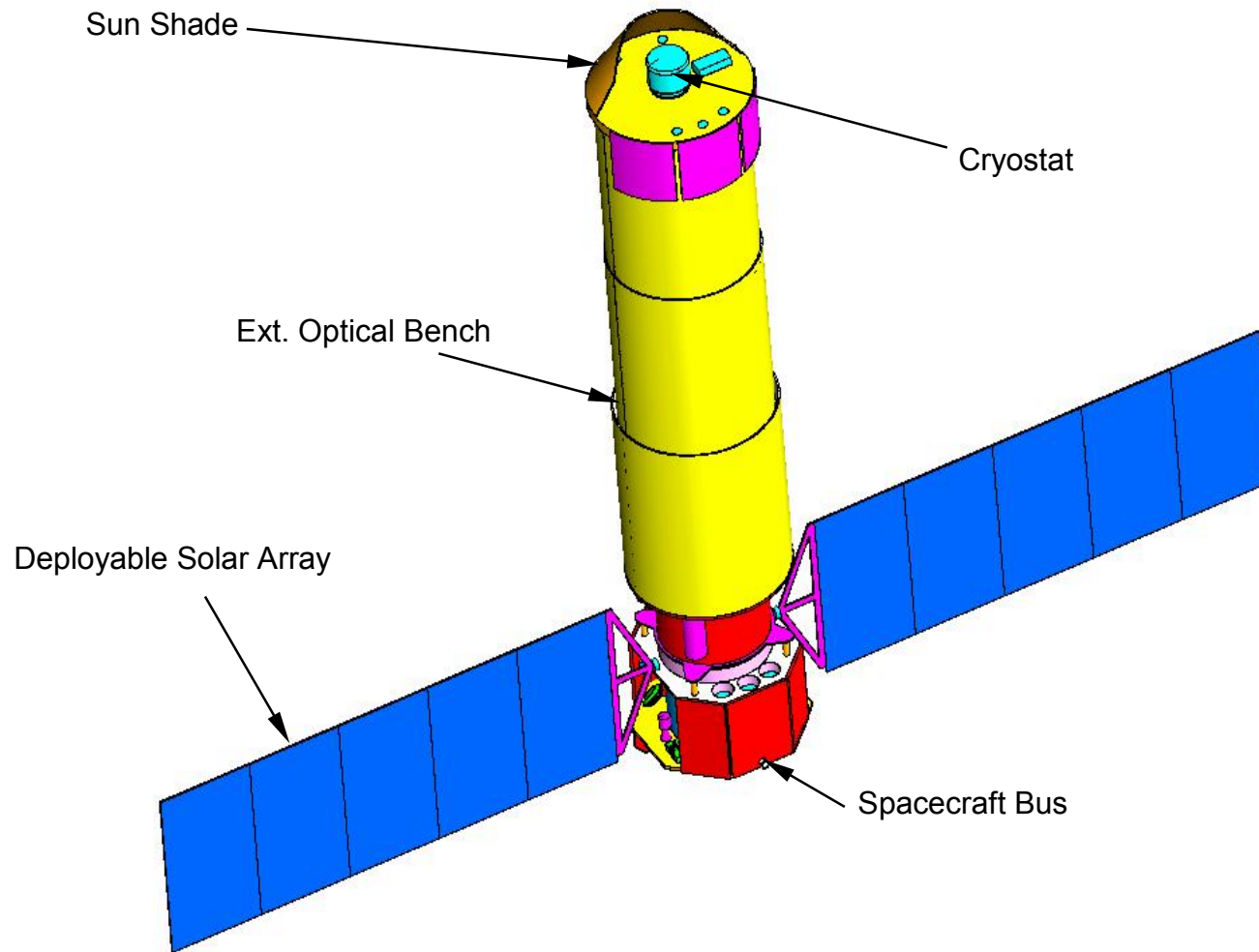


# Delta II Launch Configuration





# Delta II Deployed Configuration





# Delta II Launch Option Comparison

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## **4 Satellites on 2 ATLAS V or DELTA-IV**

Uncertain LV

Two LVs

130 Days to L2

Hydrazine Prop

1.6 meter optic

1308 Kg Payload

Lowest Cost

## **4 Satellites on 4 DELTA-II**

Credible LV

Four LVs

450 Days to L2

Solar Electric Prop

1.5 meter optic

1200 Kg Payload

Medium Cost



# Reference Configuration View from Optics End

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